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HAVING A DRAWING MECHANISM
FOR THE DOUBLING AND
DRAFTING OF FIBRE SLIVERS,
HAVING AN ADJUSTING DEVICE

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